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TO AMEMBASSY KATHMANDU

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: NP, PGOV, PINR

SUBJECT: ARREST OF AGRICULTURE SECRETARY

REF: KATHMANDU 3882

NEW DELHI FOR AMBASSADOR CARGO

PARIS FOR QUANTON

1. ACCORDING TO SOURCES HERE, SPECIFIC INCIDENT WHICH LED TO CHARGES OF CORRUPTION AGAINST AGRICULTURE SECRETARY SHARMA WAS RICE SALE TO BANGLADESH. SOURCES SAY SHARMA MAY WELL IMPLICATE NAYAN RAJ PANDE, CHAIRMAN OF NATIONAL TRADING COMPANY, AND MRS. BHINDA S. SHAH, NEPALESE CHARGE IN DACCA.

2. IN ADDITION TO THIS INCIDENT, SOURCES BELIEVE ACTION WILL SOON BE TAKEN AGAINST OTHERS DESCRIBED AS "EFFICIENT BUT CORRUPT." NEXT TARGETS MAY WELL BE RAM CHANDRA MALHOTRA AND B.B. PRADHAN. RUSH

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